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SUBJ: IRAQ COMPLAINT IN SC

1. IN TELEPHONE CONVERSATION FEB 19 IRANIAN PERMREP HOVEYDA TOLD AMB SCHAUFLE THAT IN ADDITION TO CALL AT US MISSION FEB 18 HE HAD ALSO SEEN PERMREPS JANKOWITSCH OF AUSTRIA, CUELLAR OF PERU, DE GUIRINGAUD OF FRANCE, MALIK OF USSR, AND MCINTYRE OF AUSTRALIA, AS WELL AS IRAQI REP EL SHIBIB.
 2. AT THIS JUNCTURE HE FEELS HE HAS 4 SURE ABSTENTIONS ON ANY RES PLUS 2 PROBABLES. IN ADDITION TO THE US HE BELIEVES THAT COSTA RICA, PERU AND INDONESIA WILL ABSTAIN, AND THAT AUSTRIA AND AUSTRALIA ARE LIKELY ABSTENTIONS.
 3. IN HIS TALK WITH MALIK THE LATTER OPPOSED THE IDEA OF SYG REP TO GO TO THE AREA AND FAVORED SC MISSION. MALIK SUGGESTED EITHER TWO AMBASSADORS, ONE ACCEPTABLE TO EACH SIDE, OR ONE AMBASSADOR WHO IS ACCEPTABLE TO BOTH
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SIDES. HOVEYDA SAID HE OPPOSED THIS POSSIBILITY AND

PREFERRED A REP OF THE SYG. ALTHOUGH HE SAID HE DID NOT CONVINCE MALIK OF THIS POINT MALIK INFORMED HIM THAT HE WOULD SUPPORT THE IDEA OF THE CONSENSUS IN TALK WITH DE GUIRINGAUD TODAY.

4. SHIBIB INFORMED HOVEYDA LAST NIGHT THAT HE ALREADY HAS SEVERAL VOTES IN FAVOR OF RES BUT HOVEYDA BELIEVES HE IS EXAGGERATING HIS POSITION.

5. HOVEYDA SAID ONE ARGUMENT WHICH SEEMED TO HAVE EFFECT, PARTICULARLY ON MCINTYRE, WAS THAT THE SC SHOULD BE DOING SOMETHING TO REDUCE THE TENSION AND HELP SOLVE THE PROBLEM. IT DOES THIS MORE EFFECTIVELY THROUGH CONSENSUS RATHER THEN A RESOLUTION WHICH EVEN IF IT SHOULD BE ADOPTED WOULD HAVE A FAIR NUMBER OF ABSTENTIONS. IN ADDITION HOVEYDA HAS BEEN ABLE TO POINT OUT THAT IRAN HAS ALREADY MADE A FIRST STEP TOWARD COMPROMISE BY INDICATING ITS WILLINGNESS TO ACCEPT A REP TO LOOK AT THE SITUATION ON THE SPOT.

6. SCHAUFLE SUGGESTED THAT MALIK PROPOSAL FOR A SC MISSION WOULD PUT MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL WHO MIGHT BE CHOSEN FOR THIS CHORE IN A VERY DIFFICULT POSITION REGARDING THEIR BILATERAL RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE TWO PARTIES. HOVEYDA AGREED. HE SAID HE POINTED OUT TO MALIK THAT FROM IRAN'S POINT OF VIEW THE TWO BEST CHOICES WOULD BE EITHER THE PRESIDENT (DE GUIRINGAUD) OR JANKOWITSCH, NEITHER OF WHOM HE THOUGHT WOULD ACCEPT.

7. SCHAUFLE REMINDED HOVEYDA THAT US WAS WILLING TO DO ANYTHING THAT SEEMED PRODUCTIVE TO HELP IRAN, AND AFTER DISCUSSION IT WAS AGREED THAT US WOULD FOLLOW UP WITH PERMREPS ALREADY SEEN BY HOVEYDA WHO WILL KEEP US INFORMED THROUGHOUT THE DAY OF HIS OTHER CONTACTS.
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